

**AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SPECIFICATION**

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**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

The present application is a 35 U.S.C. § 371 national phase conversion of PCT/US2003/040940 filed 18 December 2003, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/435,978 filed December 20, 2002; and corresponds to U.S. Serial No. 10/742,002 filed December 19, 2003, now pending.

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Fig. 1 is an elevation, partly in cross-section, of a prior art MacPherson strut.

Fig. 2 is a cross-section of a prior art bearing.

Fig. 3 is a cross-section of a second prior art bearing.

Figs. 4 and 5 show a first embodiment of the invention, in a partially broken-away perspective view and a partial cross-section.

Figs. 6 and 7 show a second embodiment of the invention, in a partially broken-away perspective view and a partial cross-section.

Figs. 8 and 9 show a third embodiment of the invention, in a partially broken-away perspective view and a partial cross-section.

Figs. 10 and 11 show a fourth embodiment of the invention, in a partially broken-away perspective view and a partial cross-section.

Figs. 12, 13 and 14 show a fifth embodiment of the invention, Fig. 12 being a partial cross-section, Figs. 13 and 14 being partly broken-away perspective views.

Figs. 15 and 16 show a sixth embodiment of the invention, in a partially broken-away perspective view and a partial cross-section.